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at the left, which has a 1/1 double hung window at the first story. The side-gable portion at the center has a 1/1 double hung window at the left on the first story and a pair of small 1/1 double hung windows right of center. A door is at the right corner. The door is comprised of wood with three horizontal windows in the upper portion. The second story has a pair of 1/1 double hung windows. The gable has a vent. A one-story addition at the far right has a nearly-flat roof and three 1/1 double hung windows.

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(b. 1929), and Sandra (b. 1931). The children attended Oberlin High School. Carl worked at a steel mill and Walter, Jr. was a meter man. Dorothy attended St. Vincent's Charity Hospital School of Nursing. While the family lived in the house, Carl ('Red') joined the Army Air Corps during World War II, became a lieutenant and navigator and was expected to become a captain after winning the Distinguished Flying Cross and Air Medal, but he was killed over New Guinea in 1944. The next year, a woman named Mary E. House moved into an apartment in the house with Pearl Gutman. The next known occupants of the house, from at least 1948 through 1961, were the Szeliga family. Frank Joseph Szeliga (b. 1919, VA; d. 1998) lived in this house with his wife, Ann Lucille (nee Gransky’ b. 1920; d. 1993). Frank was a machine operator and foreman at Brown Fintube Company. They had at least three children, and in 1961, a James S. Szeliga is listed as a resident of the house (he may have been one of the children). In 1948 the Szeligas shared the house with Wesley F. and Sophia Swiers, as well as the Swier’s one child. Wesley was a contractor in Lorain. By 1970, the African American Long family had moved in and they have remained the occupants of the house for the past 40 years. Norman Long (b. 1908, GA; d. 1994, Oberlin) was a retired lieutenant colonel and lived here with his wife, Louise Elizabeth (nee Bows; b. 1912, Oberlin; d. 2004, Oberlin). Louise was a graduate of Oberlin High School and remained in this house after her husband’s death until her own passing in 2004. Norman had served as an Army chaplain in Germany and conducted church services in Oberlin as well. Louise was an organist at Mount Zion Baptist Church. The couple had three children: Isaac L., Louis Gregg, and Norma L. After Louise’s death, ownership transferred to her sons, and Isaac is the current owner and occupant. During the 1980s the Long family also owned nearby 321 North Main Street.

Sources (Con’t)